

HOUSE No. 721

By Mr. O’Flaherty of Chelsea, petition of Eugene L. O’Flaherty relative to adoption forms. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO ADOPTION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Section 2 of chapter 210 is hereby amended by striking in
2 line 14, the words “ The form of such consent shall be as follows:
3 and inserting in place thereof the words “consent shall be in the
4 form of either document as follows” and by adding after the
5 words “Address /s/ [_____] [_____] [_____]” the following:—

6 “I, as the [_____] (relationship) of [_____] (name of child),
7 age [_____] , of the [_____] sex, born in [_____] [_____] (place
8 of birth), on [_____] (date of birth), do hereby voluntarily and
9 unconditionally surrender [_____] (child) to the care and custody
10 of [_____] (agency or person receiving custody) for the purpose
11 of adoption by _____. I waive notice of any legal
12 proceeding affecting the adoption of [_____] (child) by
13 _____.

14 I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS SURRENDER IS FINAL AS
15 TO THE ADOPTION OF THE CHILD BY _____
16 HOWEVER IF THE ADOPTION OF THE CHILD DOES NOT
17 PROCEED THIS SURRENDER SHALL BE NULL AND VOID.

18 _____.

19 _____

20 _____ /s/ (person giving consent)

21 _____

22 On this [_____] day of [_____] (insert year), before me per-
23 sonally came and appeared [_____] and in my presence duly

24 executed the foregoing instrument, and [_____] (he, she)
25 acknowledged to me that [----] (he, she) executed the same as
26 [_____] (his, her) free act and deed, fully cognizant of its condi-
27 tions.

28 _____
29 Date [_____]

30 _____
31 State of [_____]

32 _____
33 [_____] [_____] [_____]

34 _____
35 Notary Public

36 _____
37 County of [_____]

38 _____
39 Signed by [_____] [_____] (name of person giving con-
40 sent) as [_____] (his, her) freely executed consent in the pres-
41 ence of each of us, and of each other, who thereafter have
42 hereunto signed our names as witnesses.

43 _____
44 _____/s/ [_____] [_____] [_____]

45 _____
46 _____ Address

47 _____
48 _____/s/ [_____] [_____] [_____]

49 Address''